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**Regular Meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee of the
Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA)**

Thursday, January 13, 2022

6:30pm

Zoom Link: <https://pencleanenergy.zoom.us/j/84975390654>

Meeting ID: 849-7539-0654 **Passcode:** 2075 **Phone:** +1 (253-215-8782)

NOTE: Please see attached document for additional detailed teleconference instructions.

In accordance with AB 361, the Committee will adopt findings that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees of in-person meetings. Consistent with those findings, this Committee meeting will be held remotely. PCEA shall make every effort to ensure that its video conferenced meetings are accessible to people with disabilities as required by Governor Newsom's March 17, 2020 Executive Order N-29-20. Individuals who need special assistance or a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in this meeting, or who have a disability and wish to request an alternative format for the meeting materials should contact Vanessa Shin at least 2 working days before the meeting at vshin@peninsulacleanenergy.com. Notification in advance of the meeting will enable PCEA to make best efforts to reasonably accommodate accessibility to this meeting and the materials related to it.

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CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT

This item is reserved for persons wishing to address the Committee on any PCEA-related matters that are not otherwise on this meeting agenda. Public comments on matters listed on the agenda shall be heard at the time the matter is called. Members of the public who wish to address the Committee are customarily limited to two minutes per speaker. The Committee Chair may increase or decrease the time allotted to each speaker.

ACTION TO SET AGENDA AND TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approval of the Minutes for the December 2, 2021 Regular Meeting
2. Adopt Findings Pursuant to AB 361 to Continue Fully Teleconferenced Committee Meetings Due to Health Risks Posed by In-Person Meetings

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Chair Report (Discussion, est. 5 minutes)
4. Strategic Goal Implementation in 2022 (Discussion, est. 40 minutes)
5. 2035 Decarbonization Feasibility Analysis (Discussion, est. 40 minutes)

Public records that relate to any item on the open session agenda are available for public inspection. The records are available at the Peninsula Clean Energy offices or on PCEA's Website at: <https://www.peninsulacleanenergy.com>.

6. Approval of Updated 2022 CAC Meeting Schedule (Action, est. 10 minutes)
7. Marketing Report (Discussion, est. 5 minutes)
8. Working Group Reports (Discussion, est. 10 minutes)
9. Upcoming Topics for Discussion (Discussion, est. 5 minutes)
10. Committee Members' Reports (Discussion, est. 5 minutes)

ADJOURNMENT

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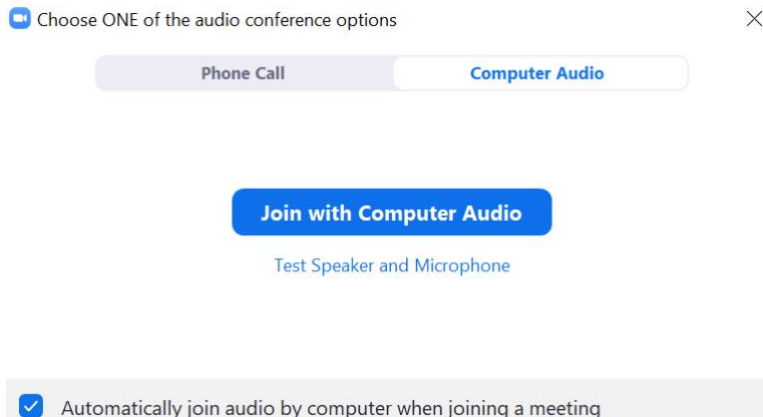
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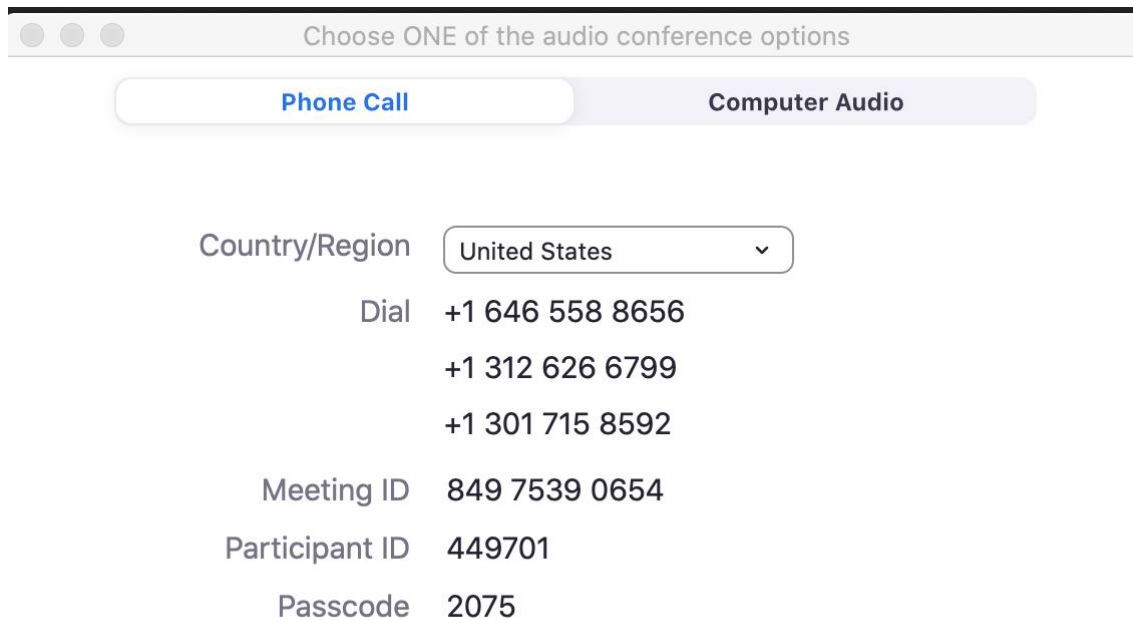


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**REGULAR MEETING of the Citizens Advisory Committee
of the Peninsula Clean Energy Authority (PCEA)
Thursday, December 2, 2021
MINUTES**

Video conference and teleconference
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Ray Larios, Burlingame, *Chair*
Daniel Baerwaldt, Los Banos
Diane Bailey, Belmont
Tim Bussiek, Belmont
Michael Closson, Menlo Park
Janet Creech, Millbrae
Joe Fullerton, Half Moon Bay
Kathryn Green, San Mateo
Alexander Melendrez, San Bruno
Jason Mendelson, Redwood City
Cheryl Schaff, Menlo Park
Desiree Thayer, Burlingame

Absent:

Morgan Chaknova, *Vice Chair*
Steven Booker, Half Moon Bay
Terri Givens, Unincorporated Menlo Park

Staff:

Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, Senior Manager of Community Relations
Blake Herrschaft, Programs Manager
Marc Hershman, Director of Government Affairs
Phillip Kobernick, Programs Manager
KJ Janowski, Director of Marketing and Community Relations
Jan Pepper, Chief Executive Officer
Rafael Reyes, Director of Energy Programs
Vanessa Shin, Community Outreach Associate
David Silberman, General Counsel

**Board
Members:**

A quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

ACTION TO SET THE AGENDA AND APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the Minutes for November 4, 2021 Regular Meeting**
- 2. Adopt Findings Pursuant to AB 361 to Continue Fully Teleconferenced Committee Meetings Due to Health Risks Posed by In-Person Meetings**

Motion Made / Seconded: Larios / Fullerton

Motion passed 12-0 (Absent: Booker, Chaknova, Givens)

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Chair Report (Discussion)

Ray Larios, *Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Chair*, recognized Terri Givens, *CAC Member*, for her service to the CAC. He also acknowledged Morgan Chaknova, *CAC Vice Chair*, for assuming the role of CAC Chair starting 2022. Committee members commended Ray and Terri for their leadership and contributions to both the CAC and the community.

4. Update on Baldwin Park Community Choice Aggregator (Discussion)

Jan Pepper, *Chief Executive Officer*, provided background information and answered questions about the status of the City of Baldwin Park's community choice aggregator.

5. Reach Code Update and 2022 Reach Codes (Discussion)

Rafael Reyes, *Director of Energy Programs*, introduced Blake Herrschaft, *Programs Manager*, and overviewed reach code adoption in San Mateo County to date. Phillip Kobernick, *Programs Manager*, and Blake discussed the prospective 2022 model codes for electric vehicles and buildings, respectively. Committee members expressed the need for consumer education around building electrification and additional incentives and training for contractors.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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6. E-Bikes Program Recap (Discussion)

Phillip Kobernick provided an overview of the E-Bikes for Everyone program and reviewed survey data collected from program participants. Committee members provided feedback on participant eligibility criteria and shared ideas for a future iteration of this program.

7. Marketing Update and 2021 Successes in Review (Discussion)

Vanessa Shin, *Community Outreach Associate*, reviewed Peninsula Clean Energy highlights and successes from 2021. Vanessa also announced the publication of the Power FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) on the website. Committee members expressed the importance of sharing Peninsula Clean Energy's benefits with the community.

8. Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Vice Chair Election (Action)

Cheryl Schaff, *Committee Member*, was nominated for Vice Chair and elected unanimously.

Motion passed 10-0 (Absent: Baerwaldt, Booker, Bussiek, Chaknova, Fullerton)

9. Approval of Updated 2022 CAC Meeting Schedule (Action)

The 2022 CAC meeting schedule, which was previously approved during the November 4, 2021 CAC meeting, was updated to include additional meetings for the purpose of authorizing fully teleconferenced meetings pursuant to AB 361. Committee member Jason Mendelson made a motion to approve the updated CAC meeting schedule.

Motion Made / Seconded: Mendelson / Larios

Motion passed 10-0 (Absent: Baerwaldt, Booker, Bussiek, Chaknova, Fullerton)

10. Working Group Reports (Discussion)

No working group reports.

11. Upcoming Topics for Discussion (Discussion)

Jason Mendelson, *Committee Member*, expressed interest in exploring opportunities to improve the Heat Pump Water Heater program based on his experiences. Kirsten Andrews-Schwind, *Senior Manager of Community Relations*, previewed upcoming topics for the Peninsula Clean Energy Board of Directors meeting. Kirsten also raised a previous idea to revisit CAC working groups and plan for 2022.

12. Committee Members' Reports (Discussion)

Terri Givens expressed gratitude for her fellow CAC members, and Committee members reiterated their praise of Terri's service to the CAC, particularly as a member of the Equity Committee.

Diane Bailey, *Committee Member*, provided an update on the status of reach codes in Half Moon Bay and thanked Joe Fullerton for his letter of support to the *Half Moon Bay Review*.

Desiree Thayer, *Committee Member*, announced that the Youth Climate Ambassadors application deadline has been extended and that the current cohort will graduate on December 4, 2021.

Jason Mendelson thanked Leslie Brown, *Director of Account Services*, for her support with understanding the new net energy metering schedule.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

PENINSULA CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY
JPA Board Correspondence

DATE: September 28, 2021
COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: January 13, 2022
SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None
VOTE REQUIRED: Majority Present

TO: Honorable Peninsula Clean Energy Authority Citizens Advisory
Committee

FROM: Jan Pepper, Chief Executive Officer, Peninsula Clean Energy Authority

SUBJECT: Resolution to Make Findings Allowing Continued Remote Meetings
Under Brown Act

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution finding that, as a result of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency declared by Governor Newsom, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

BACKGROUND:

On June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-08-21, which rescinded his prior Executive Order N-29-20 and set a date of October 1, 2021 for public agencies to transition back to public meetings held in full compliance with the Brown Act. The original Executive Order provided that all provisions of the Brown Act that required the physical presence of members or other personnel as a condition of participation or as a quorum for a public meeting were waived for public health reasons. If these waivers fully sunset on October 1, 2021, legislative bodies subject to the Brown Act would have to contend with a sudden return to full compliance with in-person meeting requirements as they existed prior to March 2020, including the requirement for full physical public access to all teleconference locations from which committee members were participating.

On September 16, 2021, the Governor signed AB 361, a bill that formalizes and modifies the teleconference procedures implemented by California public agencies in response to the Governor's Executive Orders addressing Brown Act compliance during shelter-in-place periods. AB 361 allows a local agency to continue to use teleconferencing under the same basic rules as provided in the Executive Orders when certain circumstances occur or when certain findings have been made and adopted by the local agency.

AB 361 also requires that, if the state of emergency remains active for more than 30 days, the agency must make findings by majority vote every 30 days to continue using the bill's exemption to the Brown Act teleconferencing rules. The findings are to the

effect that the need for teleconferencing persists due to the nature of the ongoing public health emergency and the social distancing recommendations of local public health officials. **Effectively, this means that agencies, including PCEA, must agendaize a Brown Act meeting once every thirty days to make findings regarding the circumstances of the emergency and to vote to continue relying upon the law's provision for teleconference procedures in lieu of in-person meetings.**

AB 361 provides that Brown Act legislative bodies must return to in-person meetings on October 1, 2021, unless they choose to continue with fully teleconferenced meetings because a specific declaration of a state or local health emergency is appropriately made. AB 361 allows for meetings to be conducted virtually *as long as* there is a gubernatorially-proclaimed public emergency in combination with (1) local health official recommendations for social distancing or (2) adopted findings that meeting in person would present risks to health. AB 361 is effective immediately as urgency legislation and will sunset on January 1, 2024.

On September 25, 2021, the Peninsula Clean Energy Board of Directors approved a thirty (30) day extension of remote meetings in accordance with AB 361. Out of an abundance of caution given AB 361's narrative that describes each legislative body's responsibility to reauthorize remote meetings, staff and counsel brings this memo and corresponding resolution to the attention of the Citizens Advisory Committee.

DISCUSSION:

Because local rates of transmission of COVID-19 are still in the "substantial" tier as measured by the Centers for Disease Control, it is recommended that the Peninsula Clean Energy Citizens Advisory Committee avail itself of the provisions of AB 361 allowing continuation of online meetings by adopting findings to the effect that conducting in-person meetings would present an imminent risk to the health and safety of attendees. A resolution to that effect, and directing staff to return each 30 days with the opportunity to renew such findings, is attached hereto.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**PENINSULA CLEAN ENERGY AUTHORITY, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF
CALIFORNIA**

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**RESOLUTION FINDING THAT, AS A RESULT OF THE CONTINUING COVID-19
PANDEMIC STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM,
MEETING IN PERSON FOR MEETINGS OF THE PENINSULA CLEAN ENERGY
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE WOULD PRESENT IMMINENT RISKS TO THE
HEALTH OR SAFETY OF ATTENDEES**

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed pursuant to his authority under the California Emergency Services Act, California Government Code section 8625, that a state of emergency exists with regard to a novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2021, the Governor clarified that the “reopening” of California on June 15, 2021 did not include any change to the proclaimed state of emergency or the powers exercised thereunder, and as of the date of this Resolution, neither the Governor nor the Legislature have exercised their respective powers pursuant to California Government Code section 8629 to lift the state of emergency either by proclamation or by concurrent resolution in the state Legislature; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 that suspended the teleconferencing rules set forth in the California Open Meeting law, Government Code section 54950 et seq. (the “Brown Act”), provided certain requirements were met and followed; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361 that provides that a legislative body subject to the Brown Act may continue to meet without fully complying with the teleconferencing rules in the Brown Act provided the legislative body determines that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, and further requires that certain findings be made by the legislative body every thirty (30) days; and,

WHEREAS, California Department of Public Health (“CDPH”) and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) caution that the Delta variant of COVID-19, currently the dominant strain of COVID-19 in the country, is more transmissible than prior variants of the virus, may cause more severe illness, and that even fully vaccinated individuals can spread the virus to others resulting in rapid and alarming rates of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/delta-variant.html>); and,

WHEREAS, the CDC has established a “Community Transmission” metric with 4 tiers designed to reflect a community’s COVID-19 case rate and percent positivity; and,

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo currently has a Community Transmission metric of “substantial” which is the second most serious of the tiers, and;

WHEREAS, the Committee has an important governmental interest in protecting the health, safety and welfare of those who participate in its meetings;

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2021, the Peninsula Clean Energy Board of Directors approved a thirty (30) day extension of remote meetings in accordance with

AB 361. Out of an abundance of caution given AB 361's narrative that describes each legislative body's responsibility to reauthorize remote meetings, staff and counsel bring this resolution to the attention of the Citizens Advisory Committee, and;

WHEREAS, in the interest of public health and safety, as affected by the emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19, the Committee deems it necessary to find that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, and thus intends to invoke the provisions of AB 361 related to teleconferencing;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that

1. The recitals set forth above are true and correct.
2. The Committee finds that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.
3. Staff is directed to return no later than thirty (30) days after the adoption of this resolution with an item for the Committee to consider making the findings required by AB 361 in order to continue meeting under its provisions.
4. Staff is directed to take such other necessary or appropriate actions to implement the intent and purposes of this resolution.

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Citizens Advisory Committee Revised Meeting Schedule 2022

Location: Please Check Agenda for Details

Meeting Date:	Time:	Location:
January 13, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
February 10, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
March 10, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
April 14, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
May 12, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
June 9, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
July 14, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
August 11, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
September 8, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
October 13, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
November 3, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details
December 1, 2022	6:30 pm	Check Agenda for Details